Federal Emergency Management Agency

FEMA - Stafford Act Funding

- Section 404 Hazards Mitigation funding
- Section 428 Grants Program the Public Assistance Alternative Procedures Pilot Program
- Section 203 Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program

FEMA National Flood Insurance Act Funding

• Flood Mitigation Program (FMA)

Most of these funds are competitive funding and you will need to submit proposals for FEMA Mitigation assistance through your state/territorial Emergency Management Agency and or Hazard Mitigation Officer.

Note I am attaching some notes we developed from a discussion with FEMA on how to use FEMA funding streams for natural and nature based infrastructure. This may not be the exact application you are thinking about, but there are descriptions of and links in the notes to the various FEMA funding programs that could assist you. Please note that this is NOT an authoritative source - for that you need to go to FEMAs website.,

Department of Commerce Economic Development Authority (EDA)

- Disaster Supplemental Funding: Notice of Funding Opportunity Number: EDA-2018-DISASTER <u>Link to NFO in Grants.gov</u>
- This supplemental funding sources has roughly \$590,000,000 for projects that help communities and regions devise and implement long-term economic recovery strategies through a variety of non-construction and construction projects, as appropriate, to address economic challenges in areas where a Presidential declaration of a major disaster was issued under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. § 5121 et seq.)
- This is a great opportunity to develop a collaborative proposal with Sea Grant, DNER, Industry and others.

Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD CDBG funding)

 Disaster Supplemental Funding: The Department of Housing and Urban Development announced awards for the \$28 billion tranche of Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funding that Congress appropriated as part of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 (PL 115-123) disaster supplemental back in February. This CDBG-DR funding is primarily to assist areas affected by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria in 2017.

- Of the \$28 billion, the law requires HUD to allocate up to \$16 billion to address 'unmet needs,' of which no less than \$11 billion must be allocated to areas affected by Hurricane Maria (i.e. Puerto Rico and U.S. Virgin Islands), and requires that no less than \$12 billion be allocated for mitigation activities in states and jurisdictions that received CDBG-DR funds for disasters occurring in 2015, 2016, and 2017. HUD must also set aside \$15 million for technical assistance for grantees and nonprofits in the affected area, \$10 million for Community Planning and Development staff and travel costs, and \$10 million for HUD's Office of the Inspector General. HUD has estimated that the total remaining unmet need for 2017 disasters is \$12.03 billion, including the \$11 billion for Maria-affected areas. As a result, HUD is shifting the remaining \$3.935 billion for unmet needs over to fund mitigation activities, increasing total mitigation funding to \$15.93 billion. HUD's allocation means that disaster-affected areas will receive unprecedented funding for mitigation, and Puerto Rico will receive more funding than any grantee in the history of the program. Mitigation funding is allocated based on the grantee's relative share of the \$22.425 billion of CDBG-DR funds awarded for natural disasters occurring in 2015, 2016, and 2017. Puerto Rico will receive just over half of all mitigation funding. Texas, Louisiana, Florida, California, the Virgin Islands, and numerous local jurisdictions will also receive significant awards.
- This latest announcement of CDBG-DR awards follow the \$7.4 billion tranche of CDBG-DR funding that Congress appropriated in the September 2017 disaster supplemental (PL 115-56). From this first tranche, HUD awarded Texas with \$5.02 billion, Florida with \$616 million, Puerto Rico with \$1.5 billion, and the Virgin Islands with \$243 million to address unmet needs.

Selected PL 115-123 CDBG-DR Allocations		
Grantee	Unmet Need Funding for Disasters Occurring in 2017	Total Mitigation Funding for Disasters Occurring in 2015, 2016, and 2017
Puerto Rico	\$10,153,130,000	\$8,285,284,000
Texas	\$652,175,000	\$4,297,189,000
Florida	\$157,676,000	\$633,485,000
Virgin Islands	\$846,870,000	\$774,188,000
Louisiana	n/a	\$1,213,917,000
California	124,155,000	88,219,000

• Here is a link to HUD CDBG-DR Fact Sheet